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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

MICHAEL DORSCHUG, et al.

Serial No.: 07/369,686

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For: Mini-Proinsulin, its

Preparation and Use

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## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97, applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the following references which the Examiner may consider to be material to the examination of the subject application.

## 1. R. Wetzel et al., Gene 16, pp 63-71 (1981).

This document, cited at page 1, line 10 of the above-captioned application, relates to the expression in <u>Escherichia</u> coli of a chemically synthesized gene for a "mini-C" analog of human proinsulin.

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## 2. EP-A 0, 163, 529.

This document, cited at page 1, line 16 of the above-captioned application, relates to insulin precursors, a process for their preparation and a process for preparing human insulin from such insulin precursors.

## 3. <u>EP-A 0,055,945</u>.

This document, cited at page 1, line 13 of the above-captioned application, relates to human proinsulin and analogs thereof, and a method of preparation by microbial polypeptide expression and conversion thereof to human insulin.

Copies of the foregoing references are submitted herewith along with PTO Form FB A820. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the enclosed references and evidence that consideration by making appropriate notations on the attached form. This submission does not represent that a search has been made or that no better art exists and does not constitute an admission that each or all of the enclosed documents constitute "prior art."

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